



SBO/SBAP 1999 National Conference Working With Enforcement

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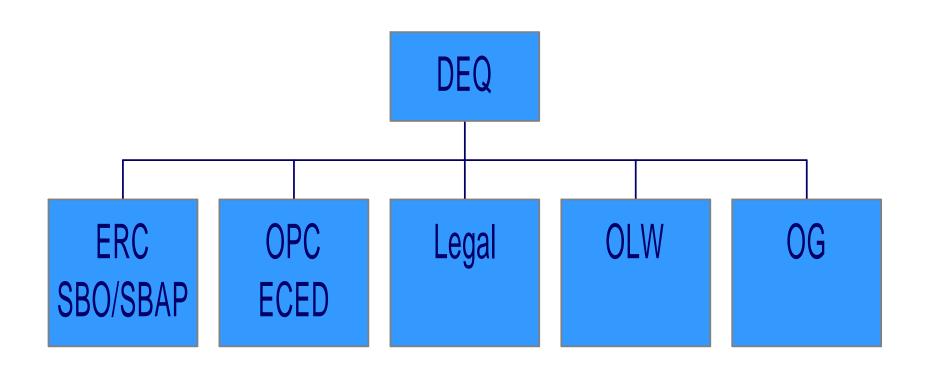
How Mississippi's SBO/SBAP Works with Its Enforcement Counterparts



Agency Background

Re-engineering began around 1997 into industrial multi-media divisions for permitting and enforcement







Ombudsman



1: a government official (as in Sweden or New Zealand) appointed to receive and investigate complaints made by individuals against abuses or capricious acts of public officials

2 : one that investigates reported complaints (as from students or consumers), reports findings, and helps to achieve equitable settlements



Law

- Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996
 - signed into law by the President on March 29, 1996

Policy

- EPA's Policy on Compliance Incentives For Small Businesses
 - Issued May 20, 1996; effective June 10, 1996



Target Outreach

- Mailouts
- Workshops

Mitigate Penalties

- Supplemental Environmental Projects (SEPs)
- Penalty Reduction



Mitigate Penalties



Advocate vs Adversary



Advocate

1: one that pleads the cause of another;

specifically: one that pleads the cause of another before a tribunal or judicial court

2: one that defends or maintains a cause or proposal



Adversary

1: one that contends with, opposes, or resists:

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Mitigate Penalties

- Supplemental Environmental Projects (SEPs)
 - Public Health
 - Pollution Prevention
 - Pollution Reduction
 - Environmental Restoration and Protection

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Mitigate Penalties

- Supplemental Environmental Projects (SEPs)
 - Assessments and Audits
 - Pollution prevention assessments
 - Environmental quality assessments
 - Environmental compliance audits Small Businesses

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Mitigate Penalties

- Supplemental Environmental Projects (SEPs)
 - Environmental Compliance Promotion
 - Emergency Planning and Preparedness
 - Other Types of Projects



Mitigate Penalties

Penalty Reduction



- Obstacles
 - EPA's Penalty Policies & Enforcement Agreements
- Opportunities
 - SIP Violations









